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Sir:

The Notification of Defective Response mailed July 14, 2008 indicates that the oath (Declaration) received in the PTO on June 30, 2008 is only signed by inventor Jens FENNEN; and that missing are the signatures of Alain LAUTON, Wolfgang HERRMANN and Catherine GABAGNOU. However, the Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by the latter three inventors was filed in the PTO on April 7, 2006. This is the Power of Attorney document in the list of documents for which receipt is acknowledged in the Notification of Defective Response. The Declaration of Jens FENNEN was submitted in response of June 30, 2007 to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed May 2, 2008, since the signature of this inventor was missing from the Declaration filed April 7, 2006.

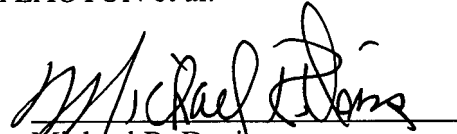
Accordingly, it is apparent that all of the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371 have been satisfied, as of June 30, 2007.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or to credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-0975, with the EXCEPTION of deficiencies in fees for multiple dependent claims in new applications.

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NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- Priority Document
- Copy of the International Application filed on 04/07/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 04/07/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 04/07/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 04/07/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 06/30/2008
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 04/07/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 04/07/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 04/07/2006
- Power of Attorney filed on 04/07/2006
- Specification filed on 04/07/2006
- Claims filed on 04/07/2006
- Abstracts filed on 04/07/2006

Applicant's response filed 06/30/2008 is hereby acknowledged. The following requirements set forth in the NOTIFICATION of MISSING REQUIREMENTS mailed 05/02/2008 have not been completed:

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - The oath received in USPTO on June 30, 2008 is only signed by inventor Jens FENNEN. Missing are the signatures of inventors Alain LAUTON, Wolfgang HERRMANN and Catherine GABAGNOU. Please clarify, explain or rectify.

Applicant is required to complete the response within a time limit of **ONE MONTH** from the date of this Notification or within the time remaining in the response set forth in the Notification of Missing Requirements, whichever is the longer. No extension of this time limit may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136, but the period for response set in the Notification of Missing Requirements may be extended under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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